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We had expected to play thunder in the Spring Overcoat department, instead of which the Spring Overcoat has played thunder with us. "Revenge is sweet," and we are bound to have it. Therefore, we will cut to the core the profits of our light-weight "top bens."

You'll open your eyes when you see what we are doing. A week ago we announced we go a little better and put them down TO COST, the old and new stock. Scarcely ten days in the house is a serpentine worsted, a perfect beauty, booked at \$28; now a double tenner, and you can wear the garment.

Those gray diagonals—lalas, all of them—from \$22.50 cut to \$16.50. Many bargains on our overcoat counters, but none greater than a grayish blue stockinette at \$9 50. Many a man has paid \$20 for a coat not

MILLER HATS.

BUT we are "playing thun-der" in other things as well as in spring overcoats. You should see our line of novelties in spring suits and price. Why-!! Wh-! it almost style, but a whole raft of them, all nobby, all neat, all well made, and as for styles each pattern prettier than the other.

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Then again, we want to tell you that we are Montana agents for HILL & SON, DUBLIN, Manufacturers of Irish tweed. We guarantee these goods to be imported Irish tweed. They will wear forever. To introduce them we have concluded to sell them at a very small profit.

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Thundering down the line comes the announcement of our neckwear. You have probably seen those washable ties. We have cut the price to 50c each. Competitors are getting 75c, but will probably lower the price when they read this announcein Surah and Pongee silk is about as large as the balance of the town combined, and we are

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VILLARD AHEAD.

The Fight for the Control of the Oregon Transcontinental Results in Smith's Defeat.

The Fierciest and Most Exciting Contest Ever Witnessed on the Floor of the Exchange.

Highest Point for Six Years-The Injunction Suit.

NEW YORK, May 17 .- The last hour of

business on the New York exchange to-day citing chapters of Wall street history, and closed the fiercest fight that has ever been known on the floor of the exchange. The prize for which the battle was fought was the control of the Oregon Transcontinental ompany, a company with a capital of \$40,-000,000 and holding control of the most important railways in the Pacific northwest.

supreme effort was made on the exchange.

All regular sales made are not deliverable until Monday, but sales made of cash stock had to be delivered before 2:15 p. m. Out of 50,000 shares of stock traded in to-day 29,000 shares were cash stock, and the price moved up from \$37 per share to \$64 50 per share before the exchange closed. From \$40 to \$45 the stock moved up 1 per cent. at a time; then it jumped 5 per cent. on a single transaction, and after moving up 1 per cent. more made a jump of 9 per cent. to \$60. It soon sold at \$64.12\frac{12}{5}, the highest point reached in years. All the time trading was marked by intense excitement, and the day will never be forgotten by those who took part. After the registry books closed Villard met Elijah Smith and said: "I have won. I have 201,000 shares locked up in my boxes." As the capital stock of the company is 400,000 shares this would give the Villard party 1,000 shares majority, but Smith would not admit that he was defeated, although he did not claim a victory.

and to the court, and an agreement was finally arrived at and the order for Villard's examination was vacated and the injunction disposed of in the same way, upon the stipulation that Villard and his associates should not try to issue any stock before the election.

THIRTY-THREE MISSING.

No Tidings of Part of the Crew of Steamer Alaskan.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 17.—No tidings were received to-day of the members of the were received to-day of the members of the strength of the members of the strength of the stre crew of the ill-fated steamer Alaskau, who and scored eight runs before being put Peck, 21; Mitchell, 26. At Dupuyer-Conit is supposed ere this have reached land out. Score-Chicago, 11; Washington, 4. rad, 15; Browne, 11; Peck, 13; Mitchell, 13. or have gone to the bottom of the sea. The | The batteries were, for Washington, Healy Oregon Railway & Navigation company and Mack; for Chicago, Krock and Farhas wired to all points along the coast to be rell. on the lookout, and if the men are found it will not be long before the company's officials here are notified. An effort will also be cials here are notified. An effort will also be made to get word to the lighthouse tender. Manžanola, which is cruising along the Oregon coast. The steamer Columbia sighted the Manzanola Wednesday, and the lighthouse tender is supposed to be at this time somewhere off Cape Blanc. When the boats containing the men put out from the sinking ship they headed for land. They may have escaped the raging billows only to be dashed to pieces against the rocky cliffs. As they were eighteen miles off shore, and the storm had not abated up to the time that the rescued ones were picked up, the

storm had not abated up to the time that the rescued ones were picked up, the chances are rather against them, but all hope is not abandoned. It is not known to a certainty just how many men were on the ship. The crew numbered forty-four, and after the vessel put to sea three stow-aways were found. Two stowaways are among the rescued. One of them said to day that he knew there were five stow-aways, which makes the total number aboard forty-nine. Of this number ten have been rescued, six have died and thirty-three are missing.

NEW YORK, May 17 .- The coroner to day held an inquiry into the manner of the death of Washington Irving Bishop the mind reader. Dr. Ferguson, who made the mind reader. Dr. Ferguson, who made the autopsy, said he did so at Dr. Irwin's request. He made a specialty of autopsys. He made the autopsy of Bishop's body at 3:45 p. m. Dr. Irwin said he thought death occurred at noon. Lawyer Atchison, representing the family, and the district attorney declared a crime had been committed. It is a misdemeanor to perform an autopsy without the coroner's consent and manslaughter if the man was not dead when the autopsy was made. He thought ball should be fixed binding all who were present at the autopsy. Dr. Irwin and Dr. Ferguson were held in \$2,000 each to await the inquest which will be held next week.

Was a Haven for Workers. CHICAGO, May 17 .- The investigation nto the condition of the insane asylum was continued to-day. One of the attendants admitted that under a former administraadmitted that under a former administration one of the patients was beaten to death
by another confined in the same room. Dr.
Noble, a member of the medicall staff, testified that nearly 300 patients were confined to his care, and that a large proportion of his work was in treating wounds in
fights between patients. Another witness
testified that attendants were appointed on
recommendation by the county commissioners, and that their appointments were
not based on fitness for the work, but because they had a political "pull." The consequence was that many of the attendants
were wholly unfit for the duties they should
perform.

NEW YORK, May 17 .- The conference between the directors of the American Meat company and the trustees of the American Cattle trust continued to-day. The meeting was private, but enough was learned from an authentic source to war-rant the statement that the alleged deal between the two concerns will be consum-mated by to-night. The conference looks to the formation of a traffic agreement by which the Meat company will handle the product of the cattle trust, making the pecuniary outcome beneficial to both.

CHURCH CONVENTIONS. PROGRESSIVE PIEGANS.

idly Advancing in Civilization.

Districts Nos. 1 and 16.

District No. 2.

CHATTANOOGA, May 17 .- In the general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church to-day, the committee on the con- at the Piegan agency, gives a good account ference of the Northern and Southern gen- of that once troublesome tribe. He says: eral assemblies for co-operation in church "The Piegan Indians are in good condition: work, read its report. The joint committhey have good prospects and are making tee, waiving consideration of differences, steady progress. They have quit horseagreed to recommend to the two assemblies stealing, not a depredation claim for the that the relations of the colored people in loss of property having been filed against the two churches be allowed to them for any act committed within the past remain in statu quo, the work three years, although numerous claims are among them to proceed on the same pending for robberies prior to that time.

among them to proceed on the same lines as heretofore; that all proper aid, comfort and encouragement shall be extended by each church to the educational and evangelizing efforts of the other for the colored race, with a view to the encouragement of evey laudable effort to this end on both sides. As to co-operation in matters of publication, the committee reported that such co operation is already secured between the business departments at Richmond and Philadelphia. The committee states it makes no report with regard to co-operation in educational institutions, as that question is comprehended in the larger one of the evangelization of the colored people, and will no doubt be controlled by the decision of the general assemblies in relation to that great interest. By a vote of seventy-four to fifty-two the assembly concluded to print and hold over the report for further discussion.

An interview pending for robberies prior to that time. The Piegans have wholly abandoned their 'medicine lodge,' or annual gatherings, one of the worst institutions of Indian life and the cause of so much crime. They have built," continued the major, "sixty milles of fence about their homes and farms, none of which existed two years ago. They hauled all their own freight from Fort Benton last year, and were paid in cash for doing so. They are more honest, industrious than they ever were."

"Are they well fed?" he was asked.

"They are," he replied. "We distribute the meat from twenty to twenty-six good beef steers among them weekly. When 1 took charge of the agency only eight steers were killed weekly. As to the animals, quite the principle of the doubt be a sum of the cause of so much crime. They have built," continued the major, "sixty milles of fence about their homes and farms, none of which existed two years ago. They hauled all their own freight from Fort Benton last year, and were paid in cash for doing so. They are more honest, industrious of the guestion of the general assembles in relation to that great interest. By a vote

but managed to threw about some tracts signed "S. S. Hickey, Station B, Brooklyn."

Dr. Dicker's report of the special committee on the board of missions for freedmen was finally adopted, with the exception of that clause which gives further management of the question to the board of missions for freedmen, and this will be further discussed Monday. vote in Park county as yet is very uncer-

Boston, May 17 .- The fifty-seventh annual meeting of the American Baptist Home New York, May 17.—Arguments on the | Mission society began this forenoon. The ward B. Bell, brought to restrain Henry missionaries ever under appointment berg, and Witter, republicans, and Graves, Villard and others from issuing \$10,000,000 | There are now 3,000,000 Baptists in this democrat. of Oregon & Transcontinental stock and from pledging \$12,000,000 Oregon Railway & Navigation stock as security for the dividends thereon, was continued before Judge Barrett in the supreme court this afternoon. Counsel for defendants read Villard's answord under and the swer on the main question. It was very voluminous and went into the details of the matter and the antecedents of the present littigation. After this the lawyers in the case taiked informally with each other and to the court and the order for Villard's examinally arrived at and the order for Villard's examination was agreement was finally arrived at and the order for Villard's examination was vacated and the order for Villard's examination was vacated and the interest to bear from the case taiked informally with each other large in the case taiked informally with each other and to the court, and an agreement was finally arrived at and the order for Villard's examination was vacated and the interest to fall the formal to the court, and an agreement was finally arrived at and the order for Villard's examination was vacated and the interest to fall there are several day schools among the Chinese, including two the several day schools among the Chinese, including two the set of affair, democrat, is one vote altered. Stafford, democrat, is one vote aleads of the whole number of laborers are elected. Stafford, democrat, is one vote aleads of the whole number of subtraction was the larges. Alasks and three states of the Maxison country. Mission was ducted during the year in forty-five states and Heckman, republican, are elected. Stafford, democrat, is one vote alead of Calaway, republican, with a few supported is 90. There are several day schools among the Chinese, including two was the larges, standing a hundred feet or more alead of Calaway. The former will die. Josinski est cated of Calaway. The former will die. Josinski est chirch the first three was in the true of states of St. Luke's Episcopal dender. Alasks and those of thers appeared was both of DIAMOND AND TRACK.

returns are not in yet, but the democratic Result of the Ball Games-Races at Louismajority cannot be overcome in case they

WASHINGTON, May 17 .- Up to the eighth inning to-day the game was close and ex-

TOOK TEN INNINGS. PHILADELPHIA, May 17 .- It took ten

KILLED HIS WIFE.

Dastardly Deed of a Faithless Hus-GREAT FALLS, May 17 .- [Special to the Independent |- Major Baldwin, the agent band in a Washington School Room Yesterday.

> Mrs. Sarah F. Allen Shot Down in the Presence of Her Pupils Without Warning.

Turns the Weapon on Himself and Ends His Existence.

WASHINGTON, May 17 .- The little girls attending the third grade in the Jefferson Benton last year, and were paid in cash for afternoon about to bid their schoolmates good-bye when the teacher, Mrs. Sarah F. Allen, was fatally shot in their presence by her faithless husband, who then killed himself. Allen had been supported from the meat from twenty to twenty-six good | the earnings of his wife as a school teacher beef steers among them weekly. When 1 until some time ago, when she left him on took charge of the agency only eight steers account of his dissipated habits and fre-

publican, 522; W. F. Field, democrat, 515; B F. Myers, democrat, 461. Cook City, Myersburg and Nye City are yet to hear from. While Cook and Nye will poll a very light vote, the vote virtually depends on Myersburg, which is expected to give a strong democratic majority.

No news has as yet been received from Cook, Myersburg or Nye City, and various conflicting reports are coming in from Red Lodge, which indicate that the result of the vote in Park county as yet is very uncerhad a depressing effect upon his mind.

DILLON, May 17 .- [Special to the Indeinjunction suit of Elijah Smith and Ed- past year showed the largest number of pendent. J-Beaverhead elects Knippen- West" outfit of revolvers, knives, etc. Last

republican, are the delegates elected to the constitutional convention from this county. There are other precincts whose county. There are other precincts whose county are not in yet, but the democratic parts of the town. The four physicians are the delegates elected to the constitutional convention from this county. There are other precincts whose marriage to Schrezer.

LOUISVILLE, May 17 .- R. G. Thomas, editor of the Caseyville Herald, yesterday shot and killed Geo. Elmer, a prominent CHOTEAU, May 19 .- [Special to the In-

Water, All Trains Being Delayed.

Sand Springs have been washed out and the Missouri Pacific had two washouts a few miles east and west of here. Our washing to display the other, adiance of 200 miles in less than an hour. An experiment with the research of the United States and Hungarian states after disease of 200 miles in less than an hour. An experiment with the restore of the Prototor Knott, the noted race horse, is ill with something resembling lung fewer. He is not thought to be in immediate danger of death.

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ROBERTS INDICTED.

endent.]-The district court to-day impaneled a special grand jury to investigate the killing of J. W. Crawford, better known as Long Tex, who was shot in a coldblooded manner on Tuesday by Harry returned an indictment of murder in the first degree. It looks as if this would be another case of lightning justice in the Silver city. The district court is in session and Roberts will be tried in a day or two at the furthest, as criminal business is now being heard. Roberts' chances to hang are A I and public sentiment is very much

ing is known about his prospective move-

CHICAGO, May 17 .- Frank Josinski is a young tough of 16 years who has a "Wild night he stood among his admirers with a rifle in his hand and to justify their esteem

Great Damage to Railroads From High storm passed over this section to-day, do-

THE FIRST TAMPILE.

THE PREST TENDER AND THE SAMPLE.

THE PREST TENDER AND

The Slayer of J. W. Crawford Likely t Experience Butte Justice Very Soon. Roberts. The grand jury held its session and A Hearing Before a Special Commit-

against him The funeral procession was under way last evening to bury the remains of his victo have the remains forwarded, but were left no estate, but his friends at once sub- ex-Marshal Coulter, ex-Mayor Hamilton scribed the necessary amount and his re- and I. W. Stoner, met this morning and mains will be embalmed and forwarded to Missouri to-morrow.

POISONOUS ICE CREAM. of Oregon & Transcontinental stock and country. Mission work has been conMadison country returns show Buford, of him deliberately shot down Frank KiNew Haven, Conn., special says: "South Meiklejohn's name and those of others ap-

were kept busy last night and to-day car-ing for the suffering people. The symp-tom in every case were those that attended poisoning, the sufferers being first attacked with young the property of the poison of the sufferer specimen. Killed by an Editor.

KANSAS SUBMERGED.

The vote at Augusta resulted as follows: Ford, 20; Mayger, 19; Gillette, 36; Burns, 28;

The Cyclists' Score.

CHICAGO, May 17.—The score in the six-day cycling tournament at the end of today is: Prince and Knappe, each 585 miles and 4 laps; Reading and Morgan. each 585 miles and 3 laps; Schock, 578 miles and 2 laps.

The Times Hearing.

ROCKDALE, Texas, May 17.—A lamp explosion set fire to the house of Louis Palmer, and his wife and two children were burned to death. Palmer was badly burned in trying to rescue them.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 17.—The business portion of Huntingtonburg. Purpose countries among the party who robbed Wham.

ENDS IN SMOKE.

Aldermen and City Officials Prove to be Unfounded.

FIVE CENTS

tee in Which Officer Meiklejohn Accounts for His Time.

The Matter Alleged to be the Outgrowth of Personal Ill-Feeling, Republicans Only Being Concerned.

BUTTE, May 17 .- [Special to the Inde-

pendent.]-The special committee to inves-

by Alderman Lewis against Alderman Wynne, ex-Police Magistrate Lippincott, continued in session all day. Alderman Mueller was chairman, and the following worked against. The opposition included all the big insiders in the crass following the responsibility of the properties witnesses were examined: Alderman During his absence his detective duties were performed by C. C. Rhodes, who received Meiklejohn's pay for it. There was nothing improper, whatever, in all this, but City Attorney W. A. Speer be-NEW YORK, May 17.—The World's obtained copies of the locations in which parts of the town. The four physicians the council at the next meeting. It is probable that the accused will bring a libel suit, both against Mr. Speer and Mr. Lewis. There is no politics in the case at all. All

tom in every case were also and conversions, pains in the stomach and convulsions. In many instances whole families were taken sick, while in others only a few members suffered from the strange disorder. In this way the cause of the trouble was traced to vanilla ice cream, sold at the festival. Physicians express but slight hopes for the recovery of thirty-four of the victims who partook of large quantities of vanilla cream. They are ignorant of any known remedy for the disorder and all they can do is to administer a drug that will make the patient more comfortable. In other cases, where the victims partook sparingly of the cream, the effects partook sparingly of the cream, the effects charges exploded, but the third did not go

London, May 17.—It is stated at Cattinje,

Mays Evidently not Pleased.
Sr. Louis, May 17.—The latest information from the Cherokee nation is to the effect that Chief Mays has taken no action in the matter of furnishing facilities for the transaction of business by the Cherokee commission, which is expected there on the 25th inst. to negotiate for the purchase of indian lands. He declined to call the pace of indian lands. He declined to call the money is wanted to the hool bonds. The money is wanted to the bonds as to the issuance of \$25,000 additional soldy at its regular session in November any proposition in the commission may make.

Money for School Purposes.
BUTTE, May 17.—[Special to the Independent.]—At a special meeting held last evening the Butte school trustees decided to call a special election June 8 to decide as to the issuance of \$25,000 additional school bonds. The money is wanted to the boule of commons until February body at its regular session in November any proposition the commission may make.

Not Ready for a Change.

Not Ready ng and Insurance London, May 17.—The commons to-day, varia, mother of King Otto, died last night of ex-Secretary Bayard to Miss Clymer, The Pope Very Ill. RALEIGH & CLARKE, No. 25 Upper Main St. by slvote of 201 to 160, rejected Labouchere's from dropsy and cancer of the liver. by alvote of 201 to 160, rejected Labouchere's motion to abolish the house of lords.

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Brooklyn, May 17.—Over a thousand longshoremen have struck for an advance will take place early in the summer. ROME, May 17.-The pope has been SUCCESSORS TO F. E. GAGE & CO. taken suddenly ill. He is very weak.

BUTTE, May 17 .- [Special to the Inde- | Charges of Corruption Against Butte